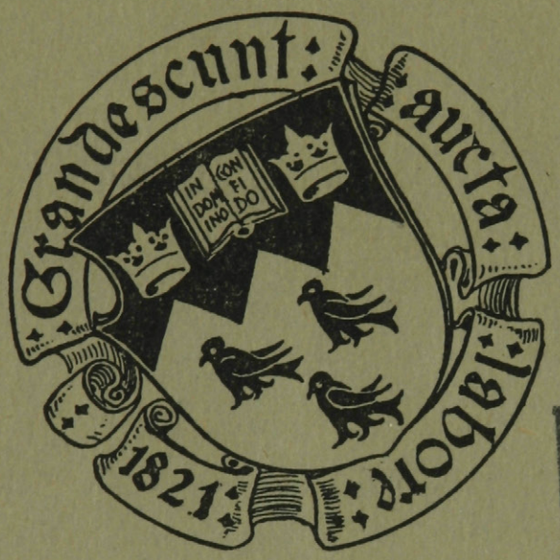
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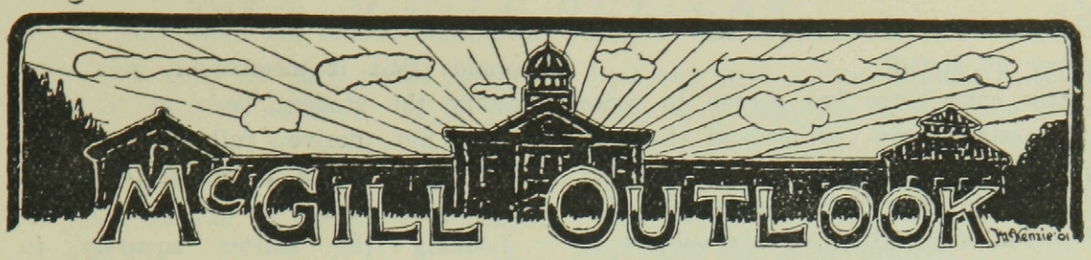
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Editorial

Once more peace and quiet in the camps of Nine and Ten. We can imagine the welcome relief the easing of the situation brought to the homes deserted at college opening by the pride of the family joining his Year, when the news came that the "pride" was to be allowed to remain within the classic precincts—saving cash with honor. We can imagine further that the consternation at home was larger than it was at the seat of disturbance—that perturbation which people unacquainted with McGill and its ways might feel at an ultimatum such as once faced the first Years never seemed to oppress Nine or Ten visibly. It would be flattering indeed to the men who handled the case for the students to attribute all this equanimity purely to their fortitude.

This week we introduce an article by Dr. Andrew Macphail, successful practitioner and litterateur; perhaps we may be pardoned for the pride we cannot repress at being so favored. Dr. Macphail is Editor of the "Medical Monthly" and of the "McGill University Magazine," he is a busy man and his notice of the OUTLOOK in so practical a manner should please

everyone who desires to see a good paper at McGill.

Our contributor has chosen to write more particularly for medical students, although he touches upon certain types familiar in other Faculties as well. Dr. Macphail's handling of his subject is extremely refined.

The OUTLOOK staff feels obliged to state that it is not entirely responsible for the recent erratic appearance of the paper. Its work has been performed as expected of it, and in good season, but the production of the paper is conditioned by many circumstances unknown to the gay and ready critic, many of them dating from other years than ours. Satisfactory printing arrangements seem impossible for a weekly publication such as the OUTLOOK, dependent as it is upon the treatment accorded the most ordinary of job printing. We devoutly pray for a day when the college shall have its own press—that looks like the first solution of the difficulty.

It will be interesting to OUTLOOK readers and contributors to know that the paper is almost embarrassed by the quantity of copy poured in upon it weekly. We ask society and class reporters to remember our limitations when writing, and to condense wherever possible.

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Editor of the Outlook:—

Dear Sir,—It is certainly a poor way of expressing our most heartfelt thanks to Sir William that so few men have joined the "Union." If only 380 out of 1,200 men can afford to pay five dollars for one of the greatest pleasures and blessings a student has ever had, it is high time that something should be done.

Last year every class in the University voted to have the membership fee put on the regular college fees. The authorities would not allow this, on the grounds that if membership was compulsory the student body as a whole would not derive full benefit from advantages to be otherwise obtained. Look at the result!

Looking the matter squarely in the face; the proposition is this: The Union, to be made what it should be, needs money. The membership fee is not excessive, and nine-tenths of the men can afford to pay it. The other tenth—if things could only happen this way—could then be admitted, for if the students of McGill haven't got any charity in their make-up—it's a dead open and shut that they won't get much pleasure in this world, perhaps none in the next.

In any case, if the proper number of men *do* join there is no reason why the Union should not be a success. As it now stands the management have a full-sized white elephant on their hands. It's up to us—students of McGill—to see that everything goes properly.

Think of the board you can get! Twelve dollars a month a (cheap boarding-house price), gives one three meals a day that it would be hard to beat anywhere. Of course, if one goes to the Windsor he can obtain some fancy cooking (by the payment of one whole dollar), which will never, we might venture to say, compare even more than favorably with what is given us at the Union.

Then after you have finished a good wholesome dinner, and have nothing to do, say before seven or half-past, there are large luxurious lounging and reading-rooms, where you can enjoy your cigar or pipe.

Now, to sum up the facts of the case: A fellow—partial—conditioned—undergrad., or what not—provided that he has some connection with the University—cannot invest five dollars to a better advantage. Even if he joins for

the sole reason of getting his money's worth he will be satisfied. If he joins for the purpose of having enjoyment out of it, his cup of joy will be filled to the brim and *his* will be a prolonged enjoyment.

Thanking you Mr. Editor for your valuable space and hoping to hear from those who have any view upon the subject,

I beg to remain,

"ONE OF THOSE WHO HAVE SUBSCRIBED."

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The Profession or the Trade?

The late Dean of the Faculty of Arts was in the habit of putting forward the dogma that only students in that Faculty were in reality university students. They alone, he used to allege, were moved by the love of learning; the students in the other Faculties, he affirmed, were merely qualifying themselves to enter a profession, studying the routine of a business, or mastering the technique of a trade. The late Dean was right or wrong, according to the mental attitude of the student.

Valedictorians and university lecturers may talk as they please about the nobility of the profession of medicine, of the sacrifice which it entails, and the meagreness of its rewards. The average student listens with more or less toleration. He knows that he has undertaken the study of medicine with the dominant idea of making a respectable living and "getting along" in this world. This student is sensible and prudent. If he enters upon his career with any other motive supreme he is not likely to go very far in the days immediately before him. A reasonable aim, upon the whole, produces better results than an ideal so high that most men will miss the mark entirely.

The view of the average man is that medicine is a trade. If that be the case he had better get at it at once. I am saying nothing against a course in Arts, save that one may sacrifice too much in time which is absolute, and in money which is relative. Besides, he is liable to become infected with a love of learning for its own sake, with a desire for grace at the expense of efficiency, to think more of his mind than of the works of his hands. If at any time he should become suspicious that he has not been faithful to his best instinct, he can allay that suspicion with the theory that feeling with the hands and seeing with the eyes is of more value than the perceptions of the sub-conscious self. Let him do everything consciously.

This student who is bound to succeed should waste not a moment. Like an athlete in his training, or like a juggler with his balls, he must make every movement count, and see that they are counted. He should attend every lecture, however discursive, and so possess himself of the mind of his master, occupying a front seat, diligent in making notes, so that his good works are seen of all men. This wise young man will secure the best place at all demonstrations, and let the teacher understand that he is there for the purpose of teaching.

And the thing must be done sincerely. It will not do for him to

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attend only those lectures at which the roll is likely to be called. He must not arrange that his attendance in the dissecting room will be synchronous with the visits of the Professor of Anatomy. It is useless to make a show of zeal by asking aimless questions, by importuning his teachers in season and out of season, by hinting at stores of knowledge which he has acquired only that morning.

He must have a zest for his work and be zealous of knowledge, ranging far beyond his written notes, even beyond the bounds of his text-books. By no means will he be content with epitomes, compends, or catechisms, or a study of examination papers which have been set in previous years. He will avoid the practice of the wicked student who merely keeps his work in hand by marking the place in his book during the year, ready to seize upon it when it is required, and bring it in triumph to the examination table.

This virtuous young man will keep himself free from contentions. He will take no part in any "movement." He will seek no office. If he attend a meeting, he will be a passive spectator. He will be a member of no deputation, nor of any committee. Nor will he consume his time in games or sport. With all this reserve he need not be a churl. He will be careful of all social amenity, and select with subtilty the secret fraternity which he will be invited to join. In short, he will be a "worker" to whom everything is forgiven, save in those colleges, now rapidly disappearing, where it is precisely the best form to do nothing.

By following the course which I have marked out, a man will stand at the head of his class; or, at worst, he will be high in the roll of honour. Henceforth his way is easy. He will gain entrance to the hospital without pushing. His character is so formed that he will be assiduous without taking thought, and he will complete his tenure of a hospital position as the model house-surgeon, a faithful follower of his chief, giving offence to none, careful of his patients, friendly with visiting Governors, and especially high in the esteem of those who have occupied private wards.

From this point of vantage he will take flight for Europe. There, he will not waste his time in the general study of medicine, or in passing examinations which entitle him to affix a string of letters to his name. He will probably turn aside from England, and be found in Vienna or Berlin, at first lic places, not for the good cheer which he may find in those resorts, but for the sake of mastering the language. With the language learned he then begins his career as a specialist by making himself noticed. He has, of course, provided himself with proper introductions, and at this moment he makes the important discovery that "money answereth all things." Shrewdly, yet diplomatically, he buys his way into the clinic which he desires. In one, two, or three years he returns home a complete specialist, where his fame has preceded him.

When he returns he is sedulous and humble as ever. He picks up his threads quietly. He works in the laboratories at tasks which are not so useless as they may seem. He makes himself indispensable, and cannot be neglected. Now that he is well spoken of by all men he exercises especial care. He attends the meetings of the medical societies diligently. In humility of spirit he asks a question, and in every case he manages to find something which bears upon his own specialty. In doing so he contrives to introduce a dissertation upon the special subject in which he is engaged, and excites wonder that one can know so much. Nor must he neglect the medical journals. These humble implements may be made to

serve a good purpose. Journals are read, and if a man make good use of them, in due course his name does become known, especially if he confine his contributions to some subject which is sufficiently small, unique, or bizarre.

By this time the complete specialist has become a "professor," master of his craft, deft with his hands, nimble with his wits, ready with his pen. He is a familiar figure at every meeting of associated physicians. Upon the programme of the more unimportant associations his name is set down for a paper which he does not read. But at all meetings which are entitled to the prefix "pan" his voice will not be missed.

What shall we say of his "manner?" It must be the mark of his apotheosis. The traditional unctuousness which has become the jest of the comic stage will not do. That part has been played, and the people to whom it appealed have gone home. Those tricks of "bedside manner" suffice only for the vulgar.

And what of the reward which awaits this man? He has had his reward. He has gained the reward which he sought. The reward which comes most when it is sought least he has missed, but he is not conscious of his loss. His profession has become a trade. He has succeeded, but the trade has mastered the man. Each student of medicine must choose which he will serve—the profession or the trade.

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Athletics

McGill Wins her Third Game

Exhibiting by far the best type of football seen in the Intercollegiate League this year, McGill crept nearer the goal of the championship by defeating Queen's last Saturday by the score of 21—11.

A slight change in the team did not spoil the combinations in the least, and Charlie Cox, who replaced Johnson at quarter, was all to the good, and two to carry.

McGill's kicking was excellent, the following up fast, the defence a stonewall, and the offensive breaking through left no cause of complaint, but there are just two points that keep the team back from being a perfect aggregation, and these points have been mentioned in the "Outlooks" columns time and again. Too many strangleholds were used on Saturday when good honest tackles were needed, and often it took five attempts to bring down the runner. Then, as has been the case in every game so far, the placed kicks were weirdly executed.

McGill must expect a hard game in Ottawa and also with Toronto before the championship is won, so let us have as big a crowd out on Saturday as possible, and let the fellows be willing to sacrifice voice and lungs to defeat Toronto this week. The football management want a big crowd to go up to Ottawa, and surely the team is worthy of a hearty support.

McGill's first score came after a fumble by the Queen's half on an exchange of punts, Harrington to Williams, Ross going over for a try which was not converted. Cox added another five points not long after on a break through the line for a try. Then Pare forced Cook to rouge, and before half time was up Harrington made his goal from the field. The half-time score was fifteen to nothing, and at the outset of the second period McGill added 6 more, but Queen's gained 11.

The fine work of the McGill line was again an important factor in the success of the local students; they gave almost perfect protection to the halves, with the result that Harrington and his fellows on the half line were able to handle the ball carefully and surely. The work on the defence that helped to keep the Queen's line in check was excelled, if anything, by aggressive work when the ball was on the Queen's side of the scrimmage. The McGill wings broke through almost at will and only cool work by Williams at centre half saved Queen's from a more decisive defeat. Williams was one of the stars of the game, but was somewhat off in his kicking. None the less he added four points to Queen's score by a fine drop goal.

In spite of hard work, Queen's could not break up our defence and the game ended 21—11.

The teams lined up as follows:—

McGill (21)	Queen's (11)	
Reid	Full back	MacDonnell
McLachlan	Right half	Cook
Harrington	Centre half	Williams
Raphael	Left Half	Campbell
Cox	Quarter	Brewster
Steedman	Scrimmage	Hale
Quinn	Scrimmage	Donovan
Stitt	Scrimmage	Gibson
Benedict	Inside wings	Irwin
Kennedy	Inside wings	Beggs
Ross	Middle wings	Baker
Stephens	Middle wings	Fraser
Pare	Outside wings	Arthur
Winslow	Outside wings	Crawford

Referee—Dr. McKenzie, Toronto.
Umpire—Mr. Henderson, Toronto.

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Good Cheer

The football management would get better support for the team from the students if all the fellows would get together on the stand, so that the cheers given would not be scattered

promiscuously among the audience. McGill needs a win from Toronto on Saturday, and the fellows would help the much-abused cheer leaders if they would bunch together in the four centre sections of the seats. Little things help the team along. Turn out and help land the championship.

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Intercollegiate Rugby Union

	Won.	Lost.	play.
McGill..	3	0	3
Toronto..	2	1	3
Ottawa College..	2	2	2
Queen's	0	4	2

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Standing of the Clubs in the Quebec R. U.

	Won.	Lost.	play.
Montreal..	4	1	1
Ottawa..	3	2	1
*St. Patrick's	2	2	1
*Westmount..	0	4	1

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McGill Intermediates Lost 9-11

It seemed as if McGill simply lost her head last Saturday when R. M. C. won out after a hard close game. Even the kind gift of the chance to play with the wind after R. M. C. won the toss, could not change things. At half-time the score was six all, but after that superior kicking by Gibson and Hilliard won the game for the Cadets, who put up a snappier specimen of football.

The teams and officials were:

McGill II. (9)--Ballantyne, McCuaig, Gamble, Hale, Wilson, Doxon, Eakins, Bats, Dunnet, Coristine, Kendall Locke, Bryne, Pratt (captain).

R. M. C. (11)—Donnelly, McKenzie, Gibson, Hilliard, Carson, Humphrey, Scott, Cowley, Brown, Hutton, Warren (captain), Rhodes, Hammond, Moffatt.

Referee—Dr. J. D. MacCallum.

Umpire—Mr. Pare.

*Tie game.

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Basketball Reorganized

The Basketball Club elected its new executive as follows:—

President—John Forbes, Sci., '08.

Vice-president — O. B. MacCallum, Arts, '07.

Committee—G. H. Smith, Sci., '09.

Sec.-treas.—J. S. Rowell.

Coach—Rocheleau, Med., '08.

Manager—E. S. Locke, Med., '07.

Last year's report was very satisfactory, and the financial statement showed a comfortable surplus.

As usual a trip into the United States will be undertaken this year. The management wants large turnouts at the practices, the hours of which will be announced on the notice boards.

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Soccer

The college team went down before Queen's to the tune of four to nothing on Saturday morning. The result was quite a surprise as McGill can put up better soccer than was in evidence Saturday, and after the good showing with a weak team in Toronto, a win was expected.

The game was partly lost through the inability of the forwards to take advantage of many chances to score, and the shooting was weak, although the backs kept the line well fed all the time.

Queen's were just a bit faster to get after the ball and did not wait for it to come to them, as did McGill.

The teams were:

McGill—Fletcher, Werner, Penny, Mor-

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Cross Country Run

Archie Kerr is very much to be congratulated for the excellent showing he made in the cross country run on Saturday, beating Kenyon's record by over a minute and finishing two minutes ahead of Frank Hawkins. A big "M." goes to Archie's credit as well as the prize. It seems too bad that Kerr did not run in the "Herald's" road race as he surely would have gained laurels for McGill in it if he had entered. The first nine runners finished as follows:—

1st—A. Kerr, Science, '08.
2nd—F. E. Hawkins, Arts, '08.
3rd—Little.
4th—W. S. Vipond, Science, '08.
5th—D. Ross, Science, '08.
6th—R. P. Wright, Medicine, '07.
7th—A. M. Lindsay, Science, '09.
8th—T. M. Montague, Science, '08.
9th—F. H. Stanton, Arts, '09.

FOOTBALL SATURDAY.

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Column "23"

This week we publish an account of the last voyage of the good ship "Skidoo." The tale is vouched for by our old friend Mr. Louis de Rougemont, and with such a guarantee we feel sure that no one will be disposed to doubt its veracity.

It was a youthful mariner,
Who stood but four foot three,
That stopped me on the Longueuil wharf
And thus spake up to me:

"Hearken thee well the tale I tell;
Strange it may be, but true,
For I sing the song of the latest cruise
Of the gallant ship 'Skidoo.'

"I know whereof I speak, for I
Was in command, you see."
"Why, kid, you are a captain, then?"
"Yes, Captain Kid!" quoth he.

"A year ago on April first,
With snow still on the ground,
We weighed our anchor at Longueuil,
For Honolulu bound.

"Well, when we'd reached the southern seas,
Believe me if you wish,
We sailed kerplunk into a flock
Of monster flying fish.

"Now this is what the fishes did
(Kind sir, it is no lie)—
They seized our rigging in their teeth,
And bore us to the sky.

"Through the pellucid atmosphere
They bore our barque all day,
And left us sailing, when night fell,
Along the Milky Way.

"It was a scene of wonderment,
Each object strange did seem.
The mermaids looked like milkmaids,
And the icebergs were ice-cream.

"And I can truly swear there were
Things stranger far than these—
The isles were made of butter,
And the rocks were made of cheese.

"We revelled in this sea of milk
Until the fo'casle cat
Came near to swamping of the ship,
He waxed so wondrous fat.

"And so we left for other parts,"
Continued Captain Kid;
"We sailed for Mars by Jupiter;
By Jupiter we did!

"Now, when we caught our anchor on
A mountain-top of Mars,
We saw a huge advertisement—
'Smoke 23 cigars.'

"One sailor took this lit'rally,
The dope-fiend of the crew.
He did his best to turn the trick,
But died at twenty-two.

"Next, leaving Mars abaft of us,
(I wish you could have seen us
Scudding along in vacuo)
We set our course for Venus.

"Now, when we'd reached Queen Beauty's land
Of shady walks and bowers, ,
And she had seen the name we bore,
It was Skidoo for ours.

"She didn't mind a dozen blades
To pay her court, you see,
But even flirty Venus drew
The line at Twenty-three!

"We left her, wrapt in close-knit coils
Of fiercely-burning flame,
Singing her siren songs of love,
And to the Moon we came.

"We found poor Luna in despair,
And looking mighty sad,
Because the Sun 'made light' of her.
It really was too bad.

"So, circling round a hemisphere
Upon the azure vault,
We found the Sun, and asked him if
He'd try to cure his fault.

"His answer was a burning glance
From out his blazing eye.
It burned the ship, and hurled us down,
Half-roasted, from the sky.

"And as I fell like Nick of old,
All hurtling from aloft,
I prayed aloud to heav'n that I
Might fall on something soft.

"My prayer was granted, for I fell
Upon a Freshman's head.
I staggered to my feet unhurt;
The Freshman, he was dead.

"At my escape from death I felt
Uncommon glad and merry,
And drank a schooner 'ere I went
Aboard the Longueuil ferry.

"So here I stand, fair sir, and say
It is my firm conviction
That Truth, when told by such as I,
Is stranger far than fiction!"

About the College

La Cercle Francais

Le Cercle Français a inauguré lors de sa deuxième réunion, le lundi 29 octobre, un procédé d'élocution qui a pris ses membres par surprise.

Dès le début de la séance, de mystérieux petits billets, sur lesquels avaient été écrit des sujets d'improvisation aussi variés qu'intéressants, tels que le "Theatre Night," le "rush," le sport, la police, et les pavés à Montréal, furent distribués aux membres qui furent ensuite successivement priés par le Président à porter la parole.

Bon gré mal gré, chacun dut s'exécuter.

Hatons-nous d'ajouter que tous le firent de bonne grâce, la plupart même avec une heureuse facilité.

On se souvient encore des nobles accents, d'un Tremblay, des descriptions pittoresques d'un Plimsoll et des sages leçons d'architecture d'un Penny.

Le résultat de cette innovation a été un pas de réel progrès fait dans l'acquisition de la langue Française.

Nous ne saurions trop encourager l'administration du cercle à continuer ces allocutions improvisées.

Ces exercices outre qu'ils assurent le débit et l'élocution, constituent en même temps une gymnastique intellectuelle assez forte et sont d'un profit incalculable.

Car si parler en public n'est pas déjà chose très facile, qu'est-ce donc que de parler sur un sujet qui n'a pas été précédemment étudié, particulièrement pour les membres (et c'est le plus grand nombre), qui s'expriment dans une langue qui n'est pas la leur.

Nous devons remercier Mademoiselle Milhau de la trop court mais très intéressante causerie qu'elle nous donna ensuite sur les universités de la France.

Nous avons fait avec elle un rapide voyage à Paris, à Toulouse, à Montpelier et nous avons examiné la vie des étudiants dans ces différentes villes.

Nous avons constaté la grande différence qui existe entre les systèmes universitaires Français et Américain; d'où il nous a été donné de conclure qu'après tout, nos universités Canadiennes ne sont pas les plus mauvaises qui soient, qu'à certains points de vue elles peuvent supporter avantageusement la comparaison avec celles de la vieille Europe.

On nous assure pour la prochaine séance le concours de M. Dandurand.

A cette occasion la direction du Cercle Français invite cordialement tous ses amis qui désireraient entendre le distingué conférencier et qui voudront bien donner leur nom à l'avance à M. Tyndale, Secrétaire.

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Societe Francais

La première réunion de la "Société Française" a eu lieu au Royal Victoria College, le 24 octobre, 1906. Si l'on en juge par le nombre de personnes présentes, l'année qui vient de commencer nous promet beaucoup de succès.

Notre Présidente Honoraire, Mademoiselle Milhau fit en quelques mots l'histoire de la société et en explique le but. La "Société Française" sera plutôt une sorte de recréation tout à la fois utile et divertissante.

Les deux éléments de notre collège, le Français et l'Anglais seront ainsi reunis. Les jeunes filles Françaises entourées d'une atmosphère Anglaise

auront l'occasion de parler leur langue maternelle et les jeunes filles Anglaises s'appliqueront à se perfectionner dans la langue Française.

Mademoiselle Milhau annonça aussi qu'une médaille avait été offerte par l'Alliance Française pour le meilleur discours.

Mademoiselle Gillmor charma l'audience aves ca "Chanson de Florian," et Mademoiselle Sauvalle récita la très spirituelle "Histoire ponctuée."

La réunion se termina par de petits discours impromptus sur des sujets très généraux qui firent ressortir les talents oratoires de plusieurs des étudiantes.

"La meilleure façon de passer les vacances," Melle McClughan, '08.

"La danse est-elle frivole?" Melle Younger, '08.

"Les théâtres de Montréal," Melle Hayden, '07.

"Préférez-vous les jeunes filles Canadiennes aux Américaines?" Melle Shafheitlin, '09.

"Faut-il avoir une musique à l'Université?" Melle Plaisted, 08.

"L'entente cordiale," Melle King, '07.

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Undergraduates' Literary Society

A general meeting of the Society was held in Strathcona Hall on Friday evening, Nov. 2nd. President Auld was in the chair, and (in the absence of Mr. Tyndale and Mr. Wilson) Mr. Cherry was elected to act as secretary pro tem. Messrs. Cherry, Logan, and Cameron were chosen to form a committee to help in apportioning the money received by the different college societies from the Bursar. Messrs. A. McGougan and R. C. Stewart were elected auditors. It was decided, on motion, to put the group photo of this year's Executive in the "Annual."

Dr. Cunliffe, the critic and judge of the evening, made a short and suggestive address. He praised the past work of the Society, and recalled the old debating society at his own college. Dr. Cunliffe recommended a rather looser form of procedure in the conduct of the meetings. He also spoke of a connection between the Society and the Union.

Mr. Cameron, '07, opened for the affirmative on, "Resolved: That annexation to the United States would be advantageous to Canada." This speech, which was later characterized by the leader for the negative as indeed splendid, was a model of introduction. Mr. Cameron said that prejudice was against annexation. Political unity was suggested by geographical and other considerations. Canada is really independent of England. The treaty-making powers are retained by the Imperial Government. We depend on it for protection. England would perhaps be a gainer by annexation. These were among the points brought forward by the speaker.

Mr. Ellis, '07, led for the negative. He said that the interests of the debate revolved around the word "annexation," and proceeded to define it. Many strange things would have to happen before we were annexed. Our representative form of government would have to become non-representative; our politics would be changed; we would be called upon to support the United States army and navy; our judges would be elected instead of appointed; we would have to share the United States labor problem, the trust problem, the negro problem. Sentiment and loyalty are against annexa-

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tion. We have a history, a people, a literature, behind us.

Mr. Lemesurier, '09, pointed out that among the four propositions open to Canada were Independence, Imperial Federation and Annexation, and mentioned some of the difficulties in the way of the first two. Imperial Federation, he said, was impracticable. He advocated annexation.

Mr. Waterston, '08, spoke for the negative. The chief argument for annexation lay along the line of commercial discussion, and for the last fifteen years there had been no marked movement for annexation.

Mr. Sinclair, '10, in a rather humorous speech, advocated the side of the affirmative. One thing that he showed was that the British people did not appreciate Canadians. Some of his other points were amusing rather than convincing.

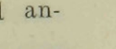
Mr. L. O. Brown, Sci. '01, closed for the negative in a quiet but able speech. In case of annexation, an undesirable class of foreign labor would come in to compete with Canadian workmen. The proposed State would be unwieldy, and would fall apart. The speaker recapitulated and elaborated some of the other points advanced by the negative.

Mr. Lemesurier closed for the affirmative. He criticized some of the leading arguments of the other side, and defended annexation as an advantage to Canada, but declared that most, or all, of those present were loyal, and that we might be willing to sacrifice our advantage for our loyalty.

The debate was then thrown open. Messrs. Colder and Hackett, of Law, and Yates, Arts '10, and Gibb, Sci. '10, all spoke for the negative. Mr. Hackett, who is an impressive speaker, and evidently a "born orator," pointed out that the question of annexation had been answered over 100 years ago, when the French-Canadians, invited to join the American Union, had refused.

Dr. Cunliffe then gave a short criticism, and rendered judgment in favor of the negative. He called attention to the fact that spoken speeches, without notes, were more interesting to the listeners than read speeches, and to the difficulty of telling a humorous story well, and of working it in appositely. He also gave some of the grounds for his decision.

There was a good attendance of members, including Dr. Leacock, one of our I. U. D. L. representatives.

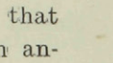


Reunion of the Class of Arts 1901

On the evening of Sept. 29, a reunion of the Class of Arts 1901 took place in Strathcona Hall to bid farewell to two of its members, Drs. McMurtry and Scott, who have since gone to China as medical missionaries. Sixteen members of the year were present and various messages and reports were received from those who were unable to attend.

The occasion was marked by the decision of the Year to donate a drinking fountain, with a suitably inscribed tablet, to Strathcona Hall, as a token of the good-fellowship which existed from the first among the members of the Year, and of the close connection between the Year and the McGill Y. M. C. A., as well as a witness of the departure of so many members of the class to the foreign mission field.

The meeting was of a strictly informal character, and after light refreshments Drs. McMurtry and Scott were requested to convey a greeting to Messrs. Lochead and Mowatt, who have been in China for two years. Dr. Scott, in reply to the wishes of the Year for their welfare in their new work, feelingly recited Dr. Drummond's "Le Vieux Temps." The meeting broke up with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."



Y. W. C. A.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held on Friday, Nov. 2nd. After a hymn, and a few words of prayer, Miss Cheesbrough introduced the speaker for the day, Dr. Symonds.

He took as his title "The Problem of Life," and as a text the following pas-

sage from Paul's first epistle to the Corinthians:—

"All things are yours, whether things present, or things to come."

During the course of his remarks the following points were noted as being most telling:—

The problem of life presses heavily on all, not only on the old and middle-aged, but also on the young. We are all parts of an infinite whole, and this is the all-pervading, all-powerful influence—God. We must surrender ourselves to something. The root of idolatry is itself surrender to wrong things, things lower than ourselves, having a tendency to degrade us. Money, society, luxury, are among the idols of the present day. To grow better, we must have something high to worship, preferably the highest and source of all, namely, God. When we surrender ourselves to this all powerful Father, one by one the problems of life settle themselves under His guidance, and we possess "all things"; no longer as idols, but subordinated to us.

In closing, Dr. Symonds said that these were mere suggestions for us to enlarge upon and put into practice in our daily life.

The meeting closed with the "Glory Song," by Miss Ramsay, '10, all the members joining in the chorus.

Which?

(To M. M.)

I often fancy I'm "in love"
And prize one maid the rest above,
But name her's what I cannot do,—
Perhaps it's you!

I think of glinting sun-kissed hair,
Encluster.ng a brow as fair
As Pallas's—the brow of—who?
Perhaps it's you!

I picture eyes of brilliance deep,
Where radiant shadows softly creep,
Yet these conceal their mistress, too,
Perhaps it's you!

I dream of lips whose rosy bow
With ripening kisses seems to glow;
Who owns those lips? Ah, if I knew!
Perhaps it's you!

Decide I cannot, who it is
Whose pre ence fills my soul with bl ss,
Whose glances thrill me through and through,
Perhaps it's you!

By hollow pangs I'm held in sway;
My heart is rapt and ta'en away.
Who is it stole my heart so true?
Perhaps it's you!

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Musical and Dramatic

H. B. Irving's Canadian Tour

No personage whose achievements have illuminated the history of the drama has ever been welcomed throughout the Dominion of Canada in the royal fashion that the late Sir Henry Irving was received. For years he had visited the towns and cities within its borders, and he was as much at home in the confines of Canadian territory as he was upon the stage of his famous London Lyceum.

The announcements which have told of the first visit of his eldest son and namesake, H. B. Irving, to the cities of the Dominion, have aroused an interest that would have been impossible in the coming of any other except the son of Sir Henry. The combined feeling of reverence for the great actor departed and of affectionate anticipation in the visit of the son who aims to follow in the footsteps of his sire, is very strong in Canada. There is small doubt but that his coming will be an affair of great dramatic importance.

The judgment upon his efforts has been that the cloak of Sir Henry's greatness will some day descend upon his son. That he now possesses the fulness of his father's power has never been claimed for him, neither by those who are most enthusiastic in his praise, and least of all intimated by those who are closest to the younger Irving. But in many places the flash of the elder Irving's mature greatness is revealed, and in physical characteristics the resemblance between father and son is amazing.

The modest attitude of H. B. Irving has won him legions of friends. He possesses the good judgment that invariably associates itself with men of his calibre. His voice is music itself and marvellously well attuned to the demands of the difficult rôles he assumes in his repertoire. His enunciation is as clear cut as the face of a cameo, and his diction has been unanimously pronounced delightful. He has an intelligence that penetrates to the very root of the author's meaning, and a striking ability to portray that meaning so that it strikes home to his audience.

In Miss Dorothea Baird—who in private life is Mrs. Irving—he possesses a leading woman of physical beauty, personal charm and uncommon intelligence. They have played many famous rôles together, and their methods are in absolute harmony one with the other. Whenever H. B. Irving essays a rôle in which his father appeared, he wears the same costumes worn by Sir Henry and uses the same surroundings and properties.

The Canadian tour will begin at Montreal on November 12th.

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"Princess Beggar's Epigrams"

"Aren't you pretty small for a soldier?" someone asked dainty Paul Edwardes when, in the disguise of a dashing Hussar, she involves the plot of her new opera "Princess Beggar."

"Oh, no," she replies naively, "they come that way nowadays, to match the play." And so from curtain to curtain quips and clever jests tumble over the footlights. In fact, it is doubtful if any musical comedy or comic opera performance in years has contained so many bright lines. Edward Paulton, the librettist, has already shown theatredom what he could do in the greatest success of modern times, "Erminie," and in "Princess Beggar" aimed to surpass his best former achievements. The music, by Alfred G. Robyn, is written with true musicianly spirit, and is said by Washington, Pittsburg, Boston and Philadelphia audiences and critics to surpass his "Yankee Consul," which has set the United States a whistling.

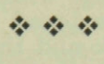
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One of the most interesting musical events of the season to the people of Montreal, and especially so to the students of this university, is the coming engagement of Mme. Donalda, who is billed for one night only at the Arena, week after next, the exact date being the 20th. Every one in the senior years any way will remember her as a pupil at the R. V. C., and will remember the pleasure with which her initial successes was hailed by her many friends in town. She is said to have improved very much since she last left here, and her recent success at Covent Garden was the reason for her selection by Hammerstein for his opera company. Mme Donalda will give one recital here before commencing

her New York engagement. A large student representation is expected. Special rates to be had on application to the "Outlook."

Were you at the Symphony, if not you missed a treat? The next one will be on the 23rd of November. Watch for further full notice.

Remember "Rosenthal" on Dec. 10th. Let us know if you are going, and we will give you Mr. Veitch's students' discount rates.



"A New Theatre Night"

It seems that our "Theatre Night" as we have seen it in our time, and especially as it has been this year, is an affair much in need of very radical improvements, and we cannot think of any time beter suited to think over some way of improving affairs than the present, so we venture merely to sugegst a few ways in which we might change at least—whether for the better is a question the future may decide.

Now, with regard to the theatre performance on that occasion, we see no reason why a University the size of McGill, with so much first-class talent at the disposal of those disposed to correct things as they are, cannot put on the stage of the local theatre a first-class performance with local talent. The performance might vary greatly each year, but it seems to us that one point should exist whether opera, serious drama, or comedy be put on, one thing out to be settled, and that is that the performance be the result of local playwrights, and the players University talent. This is done in most of our American universities, and why don't we?

If this course be decided on—and this should be brought up before the Alma Mater and be taken on by that body—the rest resolves itself into practicable detail. Prizes in money or other rewards might be given to encourage high class output from budding geniuses, and the best article might be chosen for presentation on "Theatre Night." This would encourage many, doubtless, into fields which were only waiting for them to enter in order to heap upon the daring intruder wreaths of laurel and rouleax of gold. This may be a dream—or it may not. "You never can tell till you try."

What if the plays aren't as good as some written by professionals! (By the way, we aren't afraid to say that we would stake a good round sum that they wouldn't be worse than some we have seen.) Allowance would be made and great deal more interest taken even if the intrinsic merit were not high, but we can't see why it shouldn't be. Every one would turn out for an orderly, pleasant gathering, without fear of flour, etc., which made the past occasion memorable for some.

In discussing this question with Dr. Harriss, of the Conservatorium, the other day, he said he would set to music any good libretto which was given him to be used for our Theatre Night, and we would think any one would consider it a very great honor to collaborate with such an eminent musician, and the author of such a fine piece of work as we have in "Pan."

We would like to see professors and students work together on this as well as on other questions, much more than now is the case. What this university needs is men who are willing to take a chance and work in the initiative. We have always found, if someone dares to take upon himself to explore new regions, help comes along in the rear, but we do need "workers."

Exchanges

A Sequel and its Result

The strike at Lawrence University is over.

Between suspension and principle and paying $27 and no principle, the 127 suspended and striking men and women members of the Freshman and Sophomore classes decided that they preferred the latter. So peace envoys were appointed by the rebels and a conference arranged with emissaries of President Plantz.

At the peace conference, the delegates from the capitulating students are empowered to accept whatever terms the faculty may demand. The $27 which was demanded for property alleged to have been damaged in a series of class scraps, will be paid and whatever further conditions are insisted on, accepted.

The excitement started over some innocent class fights in which some university property was damaged. When the students refused to pay the sum of $27 demanded by the faculty, about a score of Freshmen and Sophomores, who are asserted to have been ringleaders, were suspended. The men and women of the two lower classes promptly went out on a sympathetic strike and the work of the university was tied up according to the most approved Shea methods. Meetings were held, parades formed, and other methods of arousing enthusiasm and sympathy for the rebellious students adopted. The faculty did nothing but sit on the fence and wait for the spirit of the rebels to flag. The junior and senior classes passed resolutions expressing their loyalty to the authorities and condemning the revolt. Nothing happened. The striking students began to wonder why. Then they decided that principle was all right, but that it would take a good deal of principle to cover the expulsion. The strikers, too, who had not been very heavily involved in the original mix-up, began to wonder just where they alighted. Finally they allowed as how they weren't very sure that they wanted to stand pat. At such signs of a thinning of the insurgent ranks, the originally suspended students decided to capitulate and the rebellion of 1906 passed into a matter of Lawrence history. — "Daily Maroon."

Where are the Friends of College Days?

Here, as of old, is the iron gate;
Here is the lodge with its ivy screen;
Here the avenue broad and straight;
Here the track and the campus green;
Here are the halls with the walks between,
Students coming and going their ways,
Grave professor and reverend dean;
But where are the friends of college days?

Where are the men who wore the gown
Here when Sir William graced the chair?
Where are the men who roused the town
Consule Planco ("Jimmy" mayor)?
Where are the pupils of Pierre,
Versed in the elegant Gallic phrase?
"Geordie's" classical prodigies?—where,
Where are the friends of college days?

Where are the Rugby champions now?
Whre are the conquerors in debate?
They of the intellectual brow,
Iron sinews and princely gait,
They who departing beheld the late
Generous benefactors raise
Lasting temples to mark their date?
Where are the friends of college days?

Alma mater, I whisper low,
What has become of the castaways?
Where did the good-natured blockheads go?
Where are the friends of College days?
—The Montreal "Witness."

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Rough on the Flies

Dr. John H. Girdner, the alienist of New York, was visiting an insane asylum. He met a man in the hall.

"Who are you?" asked Girdner.

"Me?" said the man. "Why, I'm here, but I ain't crazy. Not on your life. All the rest of them are crazy, but not me. I'm an inventor. I have got an invention that will make me so rich that John D. Rockefeller will look like a poor man beside me."

'What is it?" asked Girdner.

"A patent fly-catcher. Greatest thing in the world. Here, I'll show you how it works.'

The man took a sheet of paper and drew a bird-cage. "That," he said, "is a parrot's cage—just a common cage—but you observe that on this side there is a door with a heavy iron knob, and that there is another door on the other side, also with a heavy iron knob.

"Now, you see, you take this parrot's cage and put it on a pedestal fourteen feet high, the pedestal standing on a marble slab. Then I place a ladder on this side, reaching up to one door, and a ladder on the other side, leading to the other door.

"This is how it works. The unsuspecting fly comes along and climbs up the ladder on this side. It opens the door by means of the iron knob, walks through the cage, and opens the door on the other side. Then it starts down the other ladder.

"That's where we catch him!" the inventor continued excitedly. "That's where the invention is. That's where I shall get my money. You see, the fourth rung is missing in this second ladder, but the fly doesn't know it, and he falls on the marble slab and breaks his neck."—"Saturday Evening Post."

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WEATHER OFFICIAL.

The sharp and windy days are here.
Displeasing old and young;
For pompadours now lose their pomp,
And bangs will not stay bung.
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The October number of "The Collegian," Oakland, Cal., with its brand new cover design and fresh and interesting items throughout, amply justifies its exodus into student journalistic life, and reflects a great deal of careful work on the part of the contributors and staff.

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In "The 'Varsity" we observe the editor is in trouble, as per usual. It is a regreattable fact that innocent mistakes of the "galley-slaves" are so often attributed to the "buttinski" prerogatives of the ill-starred Lord High Muckamuck.

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Professor—"After to-day, gentlemen, I will not call the roll but will expect those absent to speak to me about it at the end of the hour."—"Yale Record."

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Krood—"I wonder who wrote 'Down in a Coal Mine.'"
Shrood—"One of the minor poets, of course."

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Pa—"Get away from the fire, Tommy; the weather isn't cold!"
Tommy—"I'm not warming the weather, I'm warming my feet."—"Collegian."

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A hen was cackling loud and long;
Said I to her, "How strange your song!"
She said: "It's not a song. In fact,
It's just a lay, to be eggsact."
—"Queen's Univ. Journal."

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Pike—"What is the best food for athletes in training?"
Mike—"Track-meet."—Ex.



Class Reports



R. V. C. '07

'07 is getting on as well as could be expected, but nothing has happened, therefore there is nothing to write about. However, the reporter has decided to fill up the space by recounting the courtship of a young Dorset farmer, as it was told her by one who was acquainted with the two parties.

"Do 'ee zee, my dear, us be slow o' speech these pairts, an' I d'know as it meddn' be better. There be a parlous lot o' talk in the world as volk wishes they hadn' never said arterwards. P'raps we bain't the wuss off arter all's said an' done.

"Lawk-a-massy! A Darset man mayn't say all he do think, but he do al'ays know a purty maid when he do zee one—an' our maids be real prapper uns, I tell 'ee, a gurt lot finer an' sweeter than they furriners down to Zomerzet.

"Look, zee, I be ter'ble glad 'long o' some news I heard from Garge Melmoth this marnen. D'know as I won' tell 'ee thease minit. It'll show 'ee what I do mean 'bout not wasting good speech.

"'Tis 'bout a friend of I,—Farmer Vummery—up along to Carpe Castle. It ha' been on my mind for thease many wiks as Vummery was'n looked arter prapper, he've gone about more like a a seck peacock 'n any livin' thing I ever zee. Did'n seem to take no interest in nothen' but he's pigs an' craps, an' that ain't good for a man.

"Mrs. Mellish, what keeps the dairy, she see it, but I didn't suspicion she knowed I were hurted 'bout 'un.

"Yes'day marnen Farmer Vummery come down along to Swanage arter business, an' in he pops to Mrs. Mellish 'bout they aigs he'd let her hev when her hens would'n lay.

"'Lawk-a-massy! Farmer Vummery,' she say, 'you should hev a wife to zee to this zart o' thing—a nice loven wife as'd look arter ye prapper.'

"'Aw, well, ther' now, Mrs. Mellish, I cain't marry 'ee z'no.'

"'Ha, ha, ha! Farmer Vummery,' no, 'ee cain't, I tell 'ee. But I got darters.'

"'Aw, ther' now, hev 'ee? Is't Zally you'm be thinkin' upon?'

"'Aw, no, Mister Vummery, Zally be goin' 'long o' Jarge Melmoth. But ther' be Rosie Ann. She bain't a h'angel, I'd low, but she be a nice, tidy maid, an' ther' ain't no tantrums to she.'

"'Aw, an' wher' be Rosie Ann to?'

"'She be down along to Miss Squibb. She've got visitors for the season,

"'Well, marnen, Mrs. Mellish.'

"'Marnen, Mister Vummery.'

"Ther' wad'n another word, look zee, but Farmer Vummery he walked right along to Miss Squibb's, an' ther' was Rosie Ann, a-cleanin' brasses at the front door, lookin' just so sweet as a bit o' pink may, an' her eyes as bright as the brasses she wer' rubben'.

"'Marnen, Rosie Ann,' say he.

"'Marnen, Mister Vummery,' say she.

"'I've been down along to your mother,' say Farmer Vummery, 'an' she say wher' you was to.'

"'Aw, say Rosie Ann, 'her 'ee?'

"'I come to see if you'll marry I?' say he.

"'Aw, ther', now, Mister Vummery, you do scare I!'

"'Well, will 'ee, Rosie Ann?'

"'I d'know as I won't, Farmer Vummery.'

"'Well, I come to ax 'ee, do 'ee zee? Bein' as you'm willen, I'll go an' put up the 'anns 'Marnen, Rosie Ann.'

"'Marnen, Mister Vummery.'

"Lawk-a-massy! he an' Rosie Ann's goin' to make the purtiest pair you ever did zee!"

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R. V. C. '08

One of our number slept on wedding-cake a few nights ago, and dreamt she saw a newsboy's smiling face and heard his charming cry, "Star, 'na Witness hurled World-Wide!"

The interpreter thereof states that the above signifies her early introduction to a journalist on the staff of a noted publication. Query—Is the "Outlook" a noted publication? We sincerely hope that those who criticized our first report as being "utter rot" and "not at all funny" have been more satisfied with our later ones. If not, we would be pleased to know why? All complaints should be addressed to "The Rtporter," R. V. C., '08, Royal Victoria College, city.

Professor—

R. G—e died from a surfeit of pickled herring and Rhenish wine. The result was a serious illness.

English being the language of "Geese" '08 feels duly proud that her most celebrated Goose studies so much of it.

Query—If the Speaker is the one who doesn't speak, what are the ones who do speak called?

One answer to the above has been given, namely, "Ladies," but this does not seem to suit the views of all. Hence the question is put to the readers of the "Outlook."

A Freshette was overheard to remark that she wished she could get her hair done in a beautiful Marsellaise wave, as so many of the other girls did. We are very much afraid this Freshette comes from Ontario, like our French scholar of last issue.

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R. V. C. '09

Remember, remember,
The fourteenth of December,
 Exams. do then begin.
For your life you must cram
Or you'll fail in exam.,
 Which would be an awful sin.

English and Latin,
You must become pat in,
 Nor history notes must leave.
Don't forget your psychology,
Work hard at biology,
 Or soon you will surely grieve.

Some limping poet has produced the above for the edification of R. V. C. '09. In truth many of us find our path already darkened by the long shadows flung by the "Rocks ahead." Well, "Non omnes omnia possent," and it is no use crossing a bridge before we come to it.

So at least must think "Pat" and "Peter Pan," who are preparing for a duel. A shillalagh and a tomahawk will, of course, be the weapons used, and the conflict is sure to present a most stirring scene. While speaking of warlike matters I might just mention that Miss Ada Mitchell was chosen captain of the basketball team. We are not very sure who the army are.

The Freshmen are wondering who "Andrew Mac" is. He seems to be much talked of by the Sophomore French class.

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R. V. C. '10

This week has been a very uneventful one—the chief excitement being the reception given to the students of McGill by the American Presbyterian Church. The Freshettes all seemed to enjoy themselves very much—as they could not help doing with such a delightful programme.

Miss Marion Williams was elected as the representative of 1910 for the French Club. We are sure that there is no one more capable of upholding the honor of the class in that subject than Miss Williams.

We deem it our duty, before we conclude,
To acknowledge (for not to do so would be rude)
The advice we've received in such plentiful store
From all whom we know—and a few dozen more.
We're advised to work hard, or we'll never get through,
And instead of one year we will have to stay two.
We're advised not to think—as it's bad for a mind
That isn't accustomed to work of that kind—
We're advised to do that and advised to do this,
And never a word of advice must we miss.
So we take it with thanks, and we store it on shelves,
And will use it on others if not on ourselves.

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Arts '07

"All the world loves a reporter"—at least, if we may judge from the numerous hints from members of the class who want to be roasted or exploited in the "Outlook's" columns; we are justified in thus emending (?) Shakespeare.

Why does someone in the third year Geology Class take so profound an interest in the genus of rocks, the sillykates ?

It is rumored that the Psychology Class have decided, after considerable discussion, that the use of opera glasses in a theatre does not enlarge the vision of the stage and its occupants—but also that Diogenes H———. doesn't quite believe it, and means to defer judgment till he has experimented at the Francais.

When Dr. Adams was discussing "where all the 'tin' in the world came from," a budding geologist suggested "the poor old man."

"Dulce est desipere in loco"—but Heaven help the passengers if the engineer begins to.

As our readers will have already noticed that this report is somewhat "on the rocks," we beg to insert another Geology aphorism :—"A rolling stone waits for no man—and likewise an Outremont street car."

Since the advertisement in a former report about "Smoking Davis' tobacco," the gentleman in question has formed the habit of buying shag !

Perhaps the members of Arts '07 aren't wondering a great deal as to what nature of phenomenon caused the complete metamorphosis of Mr. J. C. B., who now studies as much as eight hours a day (and he acknowledges it, too). It has been suggested by the eminent psychologist, Mr. Mac.——, that the change must be due to events of a serious and sobering character that occurred during the last days of the holidays—and the August moon. Now, if it were anyone else we could believe it; but as for John !

"Say," exclaimed an enthusiastic teaser of a mandolin, "the Mandolin and Guitar Club is going to beat the band!" "Well," replied the 'Seven sceptic, "that's just what it's got to do if it is to be any use in the college."

There was great tribulation in Arts '07 when the Senior Smoker was declared off, as many a man had borrowed from his dearest friend the necessary tobacco to enjoy on that occasion. P.S.—The tribulation was all on the side of the "dearest friends" who knew that they'd have to provide material for pipe-dreams all over again.

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Arts '08

The Reporter humbly apologizes for the non-appearance of a report last week. A few nights ago the class met and chose as committeemen for "The" !! Junior Dance Messrs. Tyndale, Stockwell, Ramsey and Shanks. We decided, further, to meet on the first Tuesday of every month sociably, you know, to discuss different matters of interest, and to see each other for a short time outside the hurly-burly of lectures, etc. "Billy" S. has been leading the strenuous life lately and bringing honor to the class for lately he helped McGill win the Track Trophy, and also battled against the Queen's boys in football. Sorry you wern't in the game, Frank; we want to see you play against 'Varsity. We are pleased to hear that the House of Lords question was definitely decided for by a large majority. The elective system of constituting the Lords was voted down. Politicians will be glad to hear that the British Upper House will be doing business at the old stand next year on the "heredity" basis. Next time you come to a Pol. Sci. lecture, Stuart, we wish you would take the trouble to see that your note-book matches your suit in color. We had a bunch of wit handed us the other day; it comes in chunks, so look out

Overheard at the Literary Dinner, Rowdy '09 bunch:

"Ezra, where did you get that cigar?"

Ezra: "It was given to me."

R. '09 B.: (sotto voce): "We know that."

Again: Ar—ur P—y (at the '08 year mweeting, referring to the recent entente cordiale between McGill and Laval): "Mr. Chairman, I would like to move that steps be taken to have a 'joint' dinner between McGill and Laval." Loud and hilarious applause.

Several days ago an interesting case of derivation came to our notice. We were wondering what "restaurant" came from, when the classical man said it was from

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the Latin res—a thing and taurus—a bull; and, Q. E. D., a restaurant was a "bully thing." In view of which we were forced to "admire according to our measure, and venerate where we could not understand." Of course we were very glad to see Queen's beaten on Saturday, but it came as a surprising and agreeable shock to see that the crowd (principally fresh) did not carry off in triumph the "Star" bulletin boards. All up on Tuesday night, you chaps, make the first meeting a success. From time to time come faint rumors that this Junior Dance will ge the best ever, we'll certainly try to make chain lightning look a cripple alongside it. Our class entertainment committee have their hands full—there is no lack of talent in the class, it is our self-effacing modesty that holds us back. Any stunt, from a clog dance to a baritone solo, will be gratefully accepted by the committee. Ralph S. said the other day that in our class quarters were as scarce as hens' teeth. One of the boys who was on a survey party last summer was trying to tell us how bad mosquitos were. He said many of them weighed a pound, and that as the party tramped along the mosquitos used to sit on the trees and bark. One engineer had a small sailing canoe, and while out sailing one night a swarm of 'skeeters carried off his sail bodily. He paddled home, but returned a few nights later, sailing. He expected an attack as before, but, judge his surprise on seeing his tormentors drawn up on the bank in company and squadron, each one clad in white duck trousers. We all fled on hearing this, and only now are recovering.

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Arts '09

We cannot help remarking on the detrimental effect produced upon the behaviour of students by entering the Second Year. Most of the sports in '09 have degenerated into hardworking swots. For example, the way F—th—rst—nah—gh studies in the Architectural Room at the Library makes one feel dizzy, while the number of resumés written by Cheese gives one the same sensation which an overdose of his namesake does.

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It is not often that students have the pleasure of witnessing the dissolving powers of hydraulics, but there was a good example last week when Fl—t emptied a jug of water (too good for such a purpose) over a squirming mass of TENderfoots; some of the Freshies acted as though they had never felt water before.

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Things have come to a pretty pass in the Union when you can overhear a waitress saying "That boy has spilt his milk." After this the Freshies can sing with an aequo animo:

"We are the very first bunch
That ever spilt milk in the Union at lunch."

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Our honored contemporary, Mr. F—dl—y, is rather sorry that the expected suspension of the First and Second Years did not occur, as he was preparing an epic poem on the "Deserted College."

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Even if you did lunch together at the Union, R—ss, there is no need to tell the professor in front of his class that he had forgotten his pie.

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Although the question as to whether a class should pay for the pranks played by its members has been shelved for the time being, still it does not prevent those students, who did the damage and morally abetted each other, from subscribing a sum sufficient to pay all legitimate claims. Those chaps, who have been so confidently declaring that a private subscription would be taken up for the benefit of those shopkeepers whose signs were abstracted ("abstracted" is a nicer word to use than its equivalent), seem to have gone asleep.

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One of Mr. Dennison's numerous admirers (not a female one this time) has sent us the following tit-bit:

One of the Chemistry Class who woke in time to hear Prof. Walker say that valency was something about the capacity of one element for embracing others, would like to know if Dennison had taken the front seat with the R. V. C.'s as he was told to do whether he would have been univalent, vivalent or trivalent.

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Arts '10

Since we last took up the pen our class together with several others of the First and Second Years has been the subject of considerable discussion. Threats of expulsion and dire disgrace hung about us like greedy vultures. The earth trembled. But now the clouds are beginning to clear away, and the elements grow less threatening. We sleep again.

There is no one in McGill University or out of it but condemns the damage done on Theatre Night. It was done in a spirit of fun, no doubt, and boys will be boys. But we must remember that the watchword of our country has

ever been Justice; that the owner of property damaged in any manner whatsoever, has a righteous claim for compensation, and that any failure to meet that claim and satisfy it, as far as it is legitimate, shows a weakness in our administration of justice. Let such cases occur in other countries if they will, but not where British fair play is so well established. Such occurrences as these give the students an opportunity to show that college and national spirit which it is well to see in the men who may be our legislators and administrators in the years to come. The class of Arts 1910, in resolving to share in the payment of the Theatre Night's damage, has taken a move in the right direction and will stand by it.

This is the latest book out. Order at once. "The Disappearing Mercury, or the Deacon's Revenge."

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Science '07

Last night I lay a-sleeping,
I dreamed a dream so fair,
I dreamed that Peaceful H——
Smiled upon me, lying there;
I dreamed that Theory lectures,
Were full of information,
And all his little pictures
Increased our education.
I dreamed I cleared the haze,
Of hydraulic wiers and notches,
My notes weren't all a maze,
And my problems not all botches,
A million whirling figures neat,
A thousand formulae insane,
And then HIS voice in cadence sweet,
Finally made this awful statement:
"Then we see the simple formula
Gives the integration constant
Of a soft fried egg."

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Science '08

It was pleasant to have the opportunity of hastening to the Dean in such a happy vein as he addressed the Undergraduate Society of Science the other night. The sound advice he gave along professional lines was much appreciated and to the point, but we venture to differ from his opinion that Montreal police are slow. We have found them, on occasion, much too fast. Perhaps, though, the training they get around Cambridge is somewhat livelier. The idea that a sprinkling of Theologs would improve the Science Undergraduates is extremely original. We had thought the average Engineer's repertoire of "words" remarkably complete.

The prominent member of the Third Year who is proud of belonging to McGill, will be encouraged to hear that McGill will probably become proud of him—in time.

There was a big shoot at the ranges the other day. George MacCallum won the Individual Trophy, and the ever-glorious Year of 1907, the Team Trophy. Strange to say, none of the team got shot, not even afterwards.

Professor Durley will prove that, barring arithmetical mistakes, a brick chimney is a better investment than Ontario Bank stock.

A SHORT TALK WITH THE GREAT AND ONLY MURPHY.

Your correspondent stepped timidly up to the great man and begged for an interview. "I take great pleasure in granting your request," said Mr. Murphy, "for my name had not yet appeared in print, and I was beginning to think my popularity (?) of former years was waning. My home is in Rochester, where I was very popular, and when I decided to leave there and honour McGill with my presence, there was much sorrow—at McGill. In my mind's eye I can see the home of my childhood, and the brook with the little wavelets leaping o'er the little stonelets, and—but I am too full for words. (We might state that this was not Theatre Night.) My powerful muscular development I attribute to football, my position being centre scrimmage on account of my weight. I am also fond of the cold

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water cure, especially when administered by my classmates through the medium of the drawing-room tap. I am a great authority on all subjects, mechanical and otherwise, but at present I am devoting all my energies to literature. I am an associate editor of the college paper, which owes its present state of perfection entirely to me, and I am also engaged in writing a book, which will still further increase my fame. Here! I'll read you a chapter of it for your criticism:"

CURSES UPON CURSES, OR THE CHAMBERMAID'S REVENGE.

Dark was the night and stormy; the wind whistled through the pines, and the waves could be seen merrily waving to one another. The pirate chief was pacing the deck of his good ship "Sarah," when suddenly a sharp, shrill whistle was heard. Curses! it was the signal. Mounting his horse, he rode swiftly along the road to the rendezvous. Here he dismounted, and, leaving his automobile in the road, entered the saloon. The place was deserted, save for a few hundred people, and he was quickly joined by a tall, dark man with red hair. "Have you brought the papers?" hissed the latter. "No, curse you, she has fled to Ottawa, but the child is still in Lachine." Muttering, "Foiled again, the villain"— We waited to hear no more, but fled, deeming ourselves unworthy of remaining in the presence of so great a genius.

Y. M. C. A.

Mr. George Irving, McGill '02, who was General Secretary of the University Y. M. C. A. here for a number of years, has recently been appointed by the International Committee as Canadian College Secretary. He has general supervision over the Student Y. M. C. A.'s throughout the country, and has been visiting the associations at Acadia, University of New Brunswick, Dalhousie, Queen's, and Toronto. Mr. Irving will address the Sunday afternoon meeting at Strathcona Hall on November 11th. It is hoped that a large audience of McGill men will be present on Sunday to listen to one of our own graduates.

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Science '09

Well, gentlemen of Science '09, if this report has better luck than its predecessors, it will, no doubt, be scanned by your critical eyes. We hope you see a sad lack of material. Now don't think this a hint to be ignored. Act on it, and send in something. We wish to thank a certain person who so pleasantly and instinctively leads us along the paths of chemistry, for adding a little to our scanty hoard:

"Two's company! Three's none!" come explaining something or other.

"Yes, I think that's right," chimed in B-ll L-ndry, while there was loud applause from K-n-dy and McN--ght-n. Sm-thy seemed to be considering the matter. Bill G-lbr--th, it is rumored, muttered "Punch him," while B-ll R-ymnd said "Hurrah!"

"Don't pull Hilborn's mustache!"

Br-ggs are you going to take her to the football game?

We guess this is all, as the only other matter has been talked and talked about till we are tired of hearing it. But—well, well, we nearly forgot the Freshies. Have any of our readers (gentle readers might be a more classical term, but we do not wish to test its truth), ever been in a Pullman, tired and restless, needing sleep, only to hear a baby cry all night long; or have you during the silent (?) (?) midnight watches, chucked boots, hair-brushes, missiles of all descriptions at the back-fence howlers? If you have, you will understand how we couldn't forget the "dears."

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Science '10

YELL—REVISED.

You kids get back to home and mater!
Grow a bit and come back later!
Old McGill's no incubator!
Baby men! 1910!
Freshie!

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Medicine '09

Discovered at last! The bold perpetrators of that infamous crime which had perplexed the master-minds of the 20th century, and had aroused the unbridled passions of the whole college world, have, thanks to the ingenuity of the world-famed detectives, Sherlock Holmes and Lecoq, been discovered, arrested and placed behind the bars! The latter by deductive reasoning came to

the conclusion that only inveterate enemies of fine arts, prompted by malice, would disfigure the external decorations and destroy the priceless paintings of the tonsorial artist's parlors.

Furthermore, they argued that Hooligans who break windows must be either Freshmen who, after making the discovery in the Physical Lecture Room, (for the first time in their lives!), that glass is brittle, wanted to demonstrate this law of nature to their satisfaction, or else admirers of the Carrie Nation methods of dealing with saloonkeepers, wanted to put her theories into practical operation in the liquor traffic districts of St. Catherine and St. Lawrence Main streets!

Now, working on these clues, the great detectives came to the conclusion (so we are informed on undoubted authority), that the charge of the disfiguration of artistic buildings, destruction of property, could never be laid at the door of the peaceful, intelligent, law-abiding members of Med., '09, but that the culprits must be and are, O ye immortal gods! the allies of Carrie Nation—the Theologians ! !

We regret exceedingly to report that dreadful havoc has been wrought by the invasion of the "sleeping" bacillus in our ranks. The spread of this contagious disease has alarmed the medical authorities, and they have engaged the eminent Temperance leader, man of letters and physician, Dr. Wm. Cane, to deliver a series of lectures, with practical demonstrations, on "How to keep awake during the Physiology lecture."

The intelligence of some of the towering geniuses of Med., '10 is simply astounding. Only the other day an embryonic medical Freshman approached one of our stalwart braves, Dorsey, and after saluting him with the respect due to a superior, inquired hesitatingly whether his Christian name was, (muster up courage, my friends), Latissimus! As patrons of '09 we do sincerely hope that a ray of light will soon penetrate the mist hovering over the intellectual giants of '10!

Mike Carney, our Sherring, again covered himself with glory at the Inter-

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collegiate meet, and deserves to be decorated with a laurel wreath.

But Carney was not the only one upon whom Fortune with a smiling face lavishly outpoured her dearest and best gifts. She also gazed with a sympathetic eye upon Archibald, one of our noble representatives from the coal regions of Nova Scotia. His quiet, reserved manners, his gentlemanly behaviour, his artistic and intellectual attainments were rewarded last week, when he received orders, without a moment's notice, to enter upon his arduous duties as assistant demonstrator of Physiology. His skill and dexterity at the very delicate operation of extracting lymph from one of the lower animals clearly stamped him as a future Claude Bernard. The appointment is all the more surprising seeing that he comes from the infected sleeping district, but we must not lose sight of the fact that Baily is his fellow-worker in the path of glory, and that he was partly, at least, instrumental in bringing to light the great physiologist. As both the above-named gentlemen are ambitious, and in noble aspirations high as in stature tall, they ought to have successful careers.

Our walking medical dictionaries, Funk and Conn, are about to establish their winter headquarters in the dissecting-room. Both surgeons are going to operate on the abnormally developed "cheek-bones" of some of our members.

The popular Dr. Gordon received an ovation from the Meds. of '09 on the occasion of the delivery of his first lecture in Physiology this year. The fellows gave him a rousing welcome, and showed him in unmistakable signs with what esteem he is held by the students.

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Medicine '10

To sign or not to sign—that was the question. We decided it seventy-five to one. To use a familiar simile, the gentleman in the minority must have felt somewhat like "the only oyster in the stew."

We notice that the University Corporation will no longer officially countenance Theatre Night, and that "friends of the University are requested to withdraw their patronage." This, coupled with the fact that no theatre can in future be secured for McGill night, makes the chances for the continuance of the annual celebration look small. We remember, though, that on her last American tour Sarah Bernhardt was compelled to perform in tents on several occasions, the theatres being closed to her, so it is possible that next year we may follow Sarah's lead, secure a vacant lot in Westmount, and drive our stakes. Of course, the question of a play need not be considered as long as the tomato crop is up to the average! The excitement would be even more intense, so to speak, than formerly.

Med. '10 may reasonably congratulate itself on the amount of athletic material it has so far given evidence of. Several of the boys have already made college teams. Black made his début on the Track Team last week in Toronto. Though in poor condition, he found a place in the 100 yards, and will no doubt make a winner next year. Messrs. Johnson and Raphael are playing good ball on the Rugby team, while Bauld and O'Callaghan do stunts with the Soccer bunch.

By the way, should not every member of this class join the Undergraduate Society now? Considered financially alone, it is of no advantage to delay, as the fees will have to be paid in full sooner or later. But by paying now we not only become members in good standing, with the rights of voice and vote, but will assist greatly in maintaining this important and necessary organization. Our worthy Treasurer will be glad to receive the fee—one dollar and a half.

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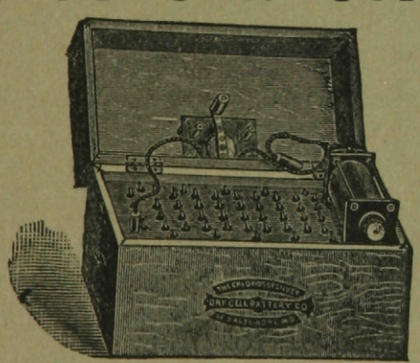
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